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UNCLAS. FEBURARY 13 (PASS TO VOA, IOP/M) CONSERVATIVE, HIGH
CIRCULATION LA PRENSA GRAFICA SAID TODAY THAT SECRETARYOF
STATE KISSINGER WILL DEAL WITH DIVERSE MATTERS, "SOME DELICATE
AND EVEN THORNY", IN HIS TALKS WITH LATIN AMERICAN LEADERS
DURING HIS TOUR OF FIVE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES. THE DAILY
EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION THAT MR. KISSINGER'S TRIP WAS NOT
A REALITY AFTER SO MANY POSTPONEMENTS, AND POINTED OUT THE MANY
PROBLEMS THAT HAVE ARISEN IN THE PAST BETWEEN THE U.S. AND
LATIN AMERICA, PROBLEMS WHICH "HAVE MADE THE LATIN COUNTRIES
TO TAKE A UNIFIED ATTITUDE", SUCH AS THE PANAMA CANAL, THE
EXCLUSION OF VENZUELA AND ECUADOR FROM THE U.S. GSP AND THE
PROPOSALS TO REFORM THE OAS CHARTER. ACCORDING TO THE
NEWSPAPER THESE AND OTHER "SITUATIONS HAVE CREATED A STIFLED
CONFRONTATION BETWEEN LATIN AMERICAN AND THE UNITED STATES."
LA PRENSA GRAFIC SAID:
"EL PROPOSITO DECLARADO DE KISSINGER EN ESTE VAJE A LATINOAME-
RICA, ES EL DE TRATAR ASUNTOS DIVERSOS, ALGUNOS DE CARACTER
DELICADO Y HASTA ESPINOSO. HAY PROBLEMAJ EN LOS QUE LOS PAISES
LATINOAMERICANOS HAN VENIDO MANTENIENDO UNA ACTITUD UNIFICADA...
AHI ESTA, PARA EL CASO, EL APOYO UNANIME QUE LE HAN BRINADADO A
PANAMA EN SUS RELCLAMOS ESTADOS UNIDOS CON RELACION AL CANAL
DE PANAMA... OTRO ASUNTO BASTANTE DELICADO ES EL QUE SE REFIERE
A LA EXCLUSION DE ECUADOR Y VENEZUELA DE LAS PREFERENCIAS
ARANCELARIAS GENERALES...(PORQUE) ECUADOR Y VENEZUELA SON
MIEMBROS DE LA OPEP. ESTE ASUNTO TAMBIEN HA CONTADO CON EL
APOYO LATINOAMERICANO GENERALIZADO...
"OTRO TEMA DE MATICES CONFLICTIVOS ES EL QUE SE REFIERE A LA
REFORMA DE LA CARTA DE LA OEA. LATINOAMERICA QUIERE QNA CARTA
EN LAS SE LE DE SUFICIENTE ENFASIS A LOS INTERESES ECONOMICOS
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DE LA REGION. ENCAMBIO, LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS, AUN CUANDO MUNCA

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SE HAN DECLARADO OPOSITORIES IRRECONCILIABLES A LA IDEA, SI
HAN ESTADO BUSCANDO LA FORMA DE QUE LA COOPERACION
ECONOMICA SE CANALICE EN FORMA BILATERAL, LO QUE DEJARIA DEBIL
Y HASTA INOPERANTE CUALQUIER NORMA DE DERECHOS ECONOMICOS QUE
SE INTRODUJERA EN LA NUEVA CARTA DE LA OEA.
"ESTAS Y OTRAS SITUACIONES HAN VENIDO PROVOCANDO UNA SORDA
CONFRONTACION ENTRE LATINOAMERICA Y LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS.Y DE
ELLO TENDRA QUE TRATAR, SEGURAMENTE, EL SECRETARIO DE ESTADO...
ES UN VIAJE CORTO PERO DE PROBLEMAS LARGOS".
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